

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/291,535

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Decision on Appeal mailed 6/30/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-26.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____



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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney David Fogg, Reg. No. 35,138 on August 30, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

in the Specification:

at page 1, line 19: after "available from companies such as SAP," delete "PeopleSoft, Oracle, Baan, J.D. Edwards" and insert -- PeopleSoft™, Oracle™, Baan™, J.D. Edwards™ --

at page 4, line 15: after "available from SAP," delete "PeopleSoft, Oracle, Baan, J.D. Edwards" and insert -- PeopleSoft™, Oracle™, Baan™, J.D. Edwards™ --

at page 20:

line 2: after "described in terms of a" delete "Power PC" and insert -- PowerPC® --

line 3: after "another type of processor, such as a processor from" delete "Intel Corporation, and the Microsoft" and insert -- Intel™ Corporation, and the Microsoft™ --

line 4: delete "Windows NT operation system available from Microsoft Corporation can also be used." and insert -- Windows® NT operation system available from Microsoft™ Corporation can also be used. --

Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

2. Claims 1-26 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

The prior art of record, i.e., Geller in view of Mazzario, when taken individually or in combination, fails to teach or suggest a method for interfacing with an enterprise resource planning system. Geller in view of Mazzario fails to teach or suggest the following the steps, when they are taken in combination:

*providing a data file containing data to be loaded into the enterprise planning system;
creating a parameter containing at least one parameter, wherein the parameter file maps the data from the data file to screens of the enterprise resource planning system; and
processing each record in the data file according to the parameters in the parameter file to execute screens of the enterprise resource planning system so as to provide the data from the data file to the enterprise resource planning system (Claim 1).*

Geller in view of Mazzario further fails to teach or suggest a method for providing data to an Enterprise Resource Planning system, the method comprising the following steps, when they are taken in combination:

*opening a parameter file containing a plurality of parameters;
opening an associated data file containing a plurality of records;
wherein the parameter file maps data from the data file to screens of the Enterprise Resource Planning system;
for each record in the data file, creating commands based on the plurality of parameters; and
executing the commands to provide the data from the data file to the Enterprise Resource Planning system (claims 13 and 20).*

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hoang-Vu "Antony" Nguyen-Ba whose telephone number is (571) 272-3701. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday from 7:45 am to 6:15 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tuan Dam can be reached at (571) 272-3695.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the TC 2100 Group receptionist (571) 272-2100.

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